

Claims:

- 5 1. A method for loading money from money loading means (15) to
 money depositing means (1), wherein money is deposited in electrical
 format, **characterized** in that in the method, a loading condition is
 determined, a signal transmitted by the money loading means (15) is
 received, and said loading condition is examined, wherein loading
 takes place automatically, if the loading condition is fulfilled and if the
 signal transmitted by the money loading means (15) can be received.
- 10 2. The method according to claim 1, **characterized** in that said load-
 ing condition used is a minimum sum, wherein in the method, the sum
 of money deposited in the money depositing means (1) is compared
 with said minimum sum, and loading takes place, if the deposited sum
 of money is smaller than said minimum sum.
- 15 3. The method according to claim 1 or 2, **characterized** in that said
 loading condition used is a maximum sum, wherein in the method, the
 sum of money deposited in the money depositing means (1) is com-
 pared with said minimum sum, and loading takes place, if the depos-
 ited sum of money is smaller than said maximum sum.
- 20 4. The method according to claim 1, 2 or 3, **characterized** in that in
 the method, also the sum of money to be loaded at each loading time
 is determined.
- 25 5. The method according to any of the claims 1 to 4, **characterized** in
 that in connection with the loading of money, an identification number
 is transmitted to the money loading means (15) for identification of the
 user.
- 30 6. The method according to any of the claims 1 to 5, **characterized** in
 that a cash card is used as the money depositing means (1).
- 35 7. The method according to any of the claims 1 to 6, **characterized** in
 that an automatic teller machine is used as the money loading means
 (15).

8. The method according to any of the claims 1 to 6, **characterized** in that a mobile communication network is used as the money loading means (15).

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9. An electronic device (5) provided with money depositing means (1) comprising means (8) for setting up a data transmission connection to money loading means (1), and means (8, 10, 13) for loading money from the money loading means (15) to the money depositing means

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(1), **characterized** in that it comprises means (12) for determining a loading condition, means (13) for receiving a signal transmitted by the money loading means (15), and means (10) for examining the loading condition, wherein the loading is arranged to be performed automatically, if the signal transmitted by the money loading means (15) can be received and if said loading condition is fulfilled.

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10. The electronic device (5) according to claim 9, **characterized** in that the means (13) for loading money comprise wireless communication means.

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11. The electronic device according claims 9 or 10, **characterized** in that the money depositing means (1) comprise a cash card.

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12. The electronic device (5) according to any of the claims 9 to 11, **characterized** in that it comprises an identification card for identifying the user of the electronic device, and that the money depositing means (1) are arranged in connection with said identification card.

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13. The electronic device (5) according to any of the claims 9 to 12, **characterized** in that it comprises means for performing functions of a mobile station.

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14. A system for loading money, comprising money loading means (15), money depositing means (1), an electronic device (5) provided with the money depositing means (1), means (8) for setting up a data transmission connection between the electronic device (5) and the money loading means (1), and means (8, 10, 13) for loading money

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- from the money loading means (15) to the money depositing means (1), **characterized** in that the system comprises means (12) for determining a loading condition, means (20) for transmitting a signal from the money loading means (15), means (13) for receiving the signal transmitted by the money loading means (15), and means (10) for examining the loading condition, wherein the loading is arranged to be performed automatically, if the signal transmitted by the money loading means (15) can be received and if said loading condition is fulfilled.
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